

Vice President Chief Counsel

October 24, 1979

Mr. Thomas E. Pablo Chairman, Tribal Council The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation Box 278 Pablo, Montana 59855

Dear Mr. Pablo:

After receiving your letter on October 3, 1979 stating your concern that there is possible contamination from our Columbia Falls plant emissions, we reviewed data published by the United States Forest Service. In a report by Dewey-Carlson of possible fluoride effects in the area of the reservation which was based upon data taken in the year 1970, it was found there were no effects.

Based upon these facts, we are pleased to assure you that there will be no injuries to any of your properties from our operations.

Sincerely,

Krest Cyr Vice President and Chief Counsel